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PROBLEM SET: Limiting Reactants

1) Use the following chemical equation: $2\text{H}_2 + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

A) Balance the equation.

B) Identify the limiting reactant when 1.22 g of O_2 reacts with 1.05 g of H_2 to produce water.

$$1.22\text{g O}_2 \times \frac{1\text{mol O}_2}{32.0\text{g}} \times \frac{2\text{mol H}_2}{1\text{mol O}_2} \times \frac{2.0\text{g}}{1\text{mol H}_2} = 0.153\text{g H}_2 \text{ needed (excess)}$$

O_2 is L.R.

C) What mass of water will be formed in the reaction?

$$1.22\text{g O}_2 \times \frac{1\text{mol O}_2}{32.0\text{g}} \times \frac{2\text{mol H}_2\text{O}}{1\text{mol O}_2} \times \frac{18.0\text{g}}{1\text{mol H}_2\text{O}} = 1.37\text{g H}_2\text{O}$$

D) What mass of the excess reagent will be left over / unused?

$$1.05\text{g} - 0.15\text{g used} = 0.90\text{g H}_2 \text{ left}$$

2) Use the following chemical equation: $\text{Fe} + \text{S} \rightarrow \text{FeS}$

A) Balance the equation. ✓

B) Identify the limiting reactant when 4.68 g of Fe reacts with 2.88 g of S to produce FeS.

$$4.68\text{g Fe} \times \frac{1\text{mol Fe}}{55.9\text{g}} \times \frac{1\text{mol S}}{1\text{mol Fe}} \times \frac{32.1\text{g}}{1\text{mol S}} = 2.69\text{g S needed (excess?)}$$

Fe is L.R.

C) What mass of Iron (II) sulfide, FeS, will be formed in the reaction?

$$4.68\text{g Fe} \times \frac{1\text{mol Fe}}{55.9\text{g}} \times \frac{1\text{mol FeS}}{1\text{mol Fe}} \times \frac{88.0\text{g}}{1\text{mol FeS}} = 7.37\text{g FeS}$$

D) What mass of the excess reagent will be left over / unused?

$$2.88\text{g} - 2.69\text{g used} = 0.19\text{g S left}$$

3) Use the following chemical equation: $\text{Mg(OH)}_2 + 2\text{HCl} \rightarrow \text{MgCl}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

A) Balance the equation.

B) Identify the limiting reactant when 5.87 g of Mg(OH)_2 reacts with 12.84 g of HCl to form MgCl_2 .

$$5.87\text{g Mg(OH)}_2 \times \frac{1\text{mol}}{58.3\text{g}} \times \frac{2\text{mol HCl}}{1\text{mol Mg(OH)}_2} \times \frac{36.5\text{g}}{1\text{mol HCl}} = 7.35\text{g HCl needed (excess)}$$

Mg(OH)_2 is L.R.

C) What mass of magnesium chloride, MgCl_2 , will be formed in the reaction?

$$5.87\text{g Mg(OH)}_2 \times \frac{1\text{mol Mg(OH)}_2}{58.3\text{g}} \times \frac{1\text{mol MgCl}_2}{1\text{mol Mg(OH)}_2} \times \frac{95.3\text{g}}{1\text{mol MgCl}_2} = 9.60\text{g MgCl}_2$$

D) What mass of the excess reagent will be left over / unused?

$$12.84\text{g} - 7.35\text{g used} = 5.49\text{g HCl left}$$

4) Use the following chemical equation: $2 \text{SO}_2 + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2 \text{SO}_3$

A) Balance the equation.

B) Identify the limiting reactant when 12.4 g of SO_2 reacts with 3.45 g of O_2 .

SO_2 is L.R.

$$12.4 \text{ g SO}_2 \times \frac{1 \text{ mol SO}_2}{64.1 \text{ g}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol O}_2}{2 \text{ mol SO}_2} \times \frac{32.0 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mol O}_2} = 3.10 \text{ g O}_2 \text{ needed (excess)}$$

C) What mass of sulfur trioxide, SO_3 , will be formed in the reaction?

$$12.4 \text{ g SO}_2 \times \frac{1 \text{ mol SO}_2}{64.1 \text{ g}} \times \frac{2 \text{ mol SO}_3}{2 \text{ mol SO}_2} \times \frac{80.1 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mol SO}_3} = 15.5 \text{ g SO}_3$$

D) What mass of the excess reagent will be left over / unused?

$$3.45 \text{ g} - 3.10 \text{ g used} = 0.35 \text{ g O}_2 \text{ left}$$

5) Use the following chemical equation:



A) Balance the equation.

B) Identify the limiting reactant when 6.58 g of SO_3 reacts with 1.64 g of H_2O .

L.R. is SO_3

$$6.58 \text{ g SO}_3 \times \frac{1 \text{ mol SO}_3}{80.1 \text{ g}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}}{1 \text{ mol SO}_3} \times \frac{18.0 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}} = 1.48 \text{ g H}_2\text{O needed (excess)}$$

C) What mass of sulfuric acid, H_2SO_4 , will be formed in the reaction?

$$6.58 \text{ g SO}_3 \times \frac{1 \text{ mol SO}_3}{80.1 \text{ g}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol H}_2\text{SO}_4}{1 \text{ mol SO}_3} \times \frac{98.1 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mol H}_2\text{SO}_4} = 8.06 \text{ g H}_2\text{SO}_4$$

D) What mass of the excess reagent will be left over / unused?

$$1.64 \text{ g} - 1.48 \text{ g H}_2\text{O used} = 0.16 \text{ g H}_2\text{O left}$$

6) Use the following chemical equation:



A) Balance the equation.

B) Identify the limiting reactant when 8.47 g of Cd reacts with 2.51 g of S .

L.R. is Cd

$$8.47 \text{ g Cd} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol Cd}}{112.4 \text{ g}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol S}}{1 \text{ mol Cd}} \times \frac{32.1 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mol S}} = 2.42 \text{ g S needed (excess)}$$

C) What mass of cadmium sulfide, CdS , will be formed in the reaction?

$$8.47 \text{ g Cd} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol Cd}}{112.4 \text{ g}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol CdS}}{1 \text{ mol Cd}} \times \frac{144.5 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mol CdS}} = 10.9 \text{ g CdS}$$

D) What mass of the excess reagent will be left over / unused?

$$2.51 \text{ g S} - 2.42 \text{ g S used} = 0.09 \text{ g S left}$$